(x) Use of Short Message Service for providing information to Inquiry Officers as well as public;

(xi) Computer Aided Design facility for storing digital map;

(xii) Introduction of a Burst Error Control System for speedy transmission of data to and from all the districts and units of Delhi Police and for direct access to Inter State Police Wireless Stations of other State Capitals;

(xiii) Introduction of Digital Video Cameras for coverage of law and order arrangements, sensitive situations, and important functions;

(xiv) Creation of Disaster Management Net and setting up of Mobile Control Rooms equipped with wireless sets and satellite phones;

(xv) Upgradation of the Automatic Call Distribution System;

(xvi) Introduction of Geographical Information System/Geographical Positioning System based Vehicle Tracking System;

(xvii) Installation of Digital Electronic Reverse Timers at 96 signalised junctions;

(xviii) Installation of Solar Traffic Signals;

(xix) Conversion of the existing traffic light signals into light-emitting *diode reflective signals*;

(xx) Synchronisation of traffic signals;

(xxi) Launching of traffic website;

(xxii) Introduction of Short Message Service Traffic Information and Dissemination System; and

(xxiii) Installation of close circuit televisions at major junctions to regulate traffic.

Assistance to Chhattisgarh for Modernisation of Police Stations

†815. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chhattisgarh Government have sent a proposal to the Central Government for modernization of the police stations

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

in the Naxalite affected areas;

(b) if so, when the Central Government received this proposal and what action has been taken on it;

(c) the amount of funds and weapons demanded for this purpose; and

(d) by when this proposal is likely to be approved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. In the month of June, 2005, the State Government of Chhattisgarh sent a proposal to the tune of Rs. 40.00 crore, including a sub plan of Rs.34.60 crore for the naxal affected areas. The sub-plan included an amount of Rs.2.05 crore for construction of 3 police stations in Badedongar, Badgaon and Tirkunda. Moderns weapons *viz.*, 5.56 INSAS, mortar 51 mm, rifle grenade SLR, rocket launcher etc. worth Rs.6.54 crore were also sought.

In the High Powered Committee meeting held on 29th June, 2005, which was attended by the State Government representatives, the total plan of Rs.40.00 crore, including the sub-plan of Rs.34.60 crore for naxal affected areas was approved. Accordingly, on the basis of the existing availability of Central funds, an amount of Rs.18.46 crore has already been released to the Government of Chhattisgarh. This amount includes Rs.2.05 crore for construction of three police stations in Badedongar, Badgaon and Tirkunda, an amount of Rs.15.69 crore for purchase of security equipment, etc. and an amount of Rs.0.72 crore for forensic equipment.

Rapes and Murders in Metro cities

816. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of rapes and murders have been increased during the last two years in Metro cities;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what action has been taken against the culprits; and

(d) what steps have been taken by Government to control it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) and (b) As per the crime statistics compiled by the National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB) for the years 2003 and 2004, the number of murder cases registered in Chennai and Kolkata cities have